





Waukesha County West Nile Virus (WNV) Map – August 5, 2005

The Waukesha County Division of Environmental Health will routinely post WNV information on our website as it becomes available to us. Names and specific addresses will not be posted.

Map Legend

-  WNV Positive Bird
-  Reported Dead Crows, Ravens and Blue Jays
-  Confirmed Horse Infections
-  Confirmed Human Infections

Please note, in accordance with Wisconsin Division of Health policy, public health surveillance will focus on those birds, which are highly susceptible to infection by the WNV, i.e., crows, ravens, and blue jays. Suitable specimens are submitted for WNV testing to the Wisconsin Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory until such time as testing confirms two birds positive for the virus.

The Environmental Health Division will map WNV reports throughout the summer and fall and encourages continued reporting of dead birds by the public. The Waukesha County West Nile Virus Information Line for reporting is: (262)-896-8508.

Bird Testing Update

12 of 30 dead birds reported on this week's map are suitable specimens. Of those 12, three have tested negative for WNV. No results were available on the remaining nine as of 8/5/2005.

How to dispose of a dead crow, raven, or blue jay

Residents are advised to transfer the bird using a shovel or gloves into a plastic bag that can then be enclosed in another plastic bag. The double-bagged bird can then be put in with the normal trash.

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